IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

DWAYNE ANTHONY BREWER, SR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 5:06cv98 (Judge Stamp)

SR. TROOPER J.D. BURKHART,

Defendant.

ROSEBORO NOTICE

On November 2, 2007, the defendant filed a Motion for Summary Judgment in the above-styled case. Because the plaintiff is proceeding *pro se*, the Court has a mandatory duty to advise him of his right to file responsive material and to alert him to the fact that his failure to so respond might result in the entry of an order of dismissal against him. <u>Davis v. Zahradrich</u>, 600 F.2d 458, 460 (4th Cir. 1979); <u>Roseboro v. Garrison</u>, 528 F.2d 309, 310 (4th Cir. 1975).

Summary judgment is appropriate "if there is no genuine issue of material fact and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." Fed.R.Civ.Proc. 56(c). "A party seeking summary judgment always bears the initial responsibility of informing the district court of the basis for its motion, and identifying those portions of 'the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any,' which it believes demonstrate the absence of a genuine issue of material fact." Celotex Corp. v. Catrett, 477 U.S. 317, 323 (1986). The nonmoving party is required "to make a sufficient showing on an essential element of her case with respect to which she has the burden of proof." Id. at 322.

When a moving party supports its Rule 56 motion with affidavits and other materials, the

opposing party "may not rest upon the mere allegations or denials of the adverse party's pleadings,

but ... must set forth specific facts showing that there is a genuine issue for trial." Fed.R.Civ.Proc.

56(e). Summary judgment is proper "[w]here the record taken as a whole could not lead a rational

trier of fact to find for the non-moving party, there [being] no genuine issue for trial." Matsushita

Electric Industrial Co. v. Zenith Radio Corp., 475 U.S. 574, 587 (1986) (quotation omitted).

Therefore, within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, the plaintiff shall file any

opposition he has to the Defendants' motion explaining why the Defendants are not entitled to

judgment as a matter of law.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to the *pro se* petitioner by certified mail,

return receipt requested, to his last known address as shown on the docket. The Clerk is further

directed to provide copies of this Order to all counsel of record, as provided in the Administrative

Procedures for Electronic Case Filing in the United States District Court for the Northern District of

West Virginia.

DATED: November 7, 2007.

Is John S. Kaull

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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